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SUBJECT: CONVERSATION BETWEEN SOVIET AND SPANISH  
FOREIGN MINISTERS AT HELSINKI

1. DURING MY CALL ON SPANISH FOREIGN MINISTER LOPEZ RODO, JULY 19, I ASKED HIM ABOUT HIS VISIT TO HELSINKI FOR THE CSCE CONFERENCE, NOTING THAT I HAD READ WITH GREAT INTEREST HIS ADDRESS AT THE CONFERENCE. LOPEZ RODO SAID HE THOUGHT HIS VISIT TO HELSINKI WAS SUCCESSFUL. HE MENTIONED THAT HE HAD HAD A VERY GOOD DISCUSSION WITH SECRETARY ROGERS.

2. ASKED ABOUT HIS TALK WITH GROMYKO, LOPEZ RODO SAID HE HAD HAD A VERY USEFUL DISCUSSION WITH HIM WHICH LASTED ABOUT AN HOUR AND THAT THE MAIN TOPIC OF CONVERSATION HAD BEEN THE NIXON-BREZHNEV MEETING. GROMYKO SAID THAT HE WAS VERY PLEASED WITH THE RESULTS OF THAT MEETING AND WAS VERY HOPEFUL THAT IT WOULD HAVE AN EFFECT IN IMPROVING RELATIONS WORLDWIDE, MENTIONING PARTICULARLY THE NUCLEAR ASPECTS.

3. WHEN I COMMENTED THAT THE RUSSIANS HAD OBVIOUSLY COME TO REALIZE THAT IT WAS TO THEIR ADVANTAGE TO PROCEED ALONG THESE LINES, LOPEZ RODO REPLIED: "YOU CAN'T TRUST THE RUSSIANS."  
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